

**HARPER'S CHOICE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
JUNE 15, 2010  
APPROVED JULY 20, 2010**

The Board of Directors of the Harper's Choice Community Association conducted its regular meeting on Tuesday, June 15, 2010 at Kahler Hall, Columbia, Maryland. Evan Rose, Clare Brooks, Alicia Kong, JD Smith, and Wendy Tzucker were in attendance.

Mr. Rose called the meeting to order at 7:37 pm.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**Ms. DeLacy moved to approve the Agenda. Mr. Smith seconded: all in favor**

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**Ms. Brooks moved to approve the Minutes of June 1, 2010 with a minor change: Ms. Kong seconded; all in favor except Ms. DeLacy who abstained.**

**RESIDENT SPEAK-OUT**

There were no residents present to speak-out.

**NEW BUSINESS**

End of Year Financials – Accountant, Debbie Herman, presented the End of the Year Financial Statement. She spoke about the variances on some line items. Discussion followed on the upcoming audit. **Mr. Smith moved to accept the End of the Year Financial Statements. Ms. Brooks seconded; all in favor.**

Pool Staff – John Herdson, Aquatics Director; Colleen Hannan, Swim Team Manager for Swansfield, Clarys and Hawthorne and Teresea Palasits, cluster pool Manager for Longfellow and Swansfield were in attendance. The Board spoke about residents' concern with the cleanliness of the restrooms. Mr. Rose inquired if there were any issues with payroll and Ms. DeLacy asked if the pay was comparable to the surrounding area?

Mr. Herdson reported that the pool cover at Hobbit's Glen needs to be repaired and that signs have been placed along the roadway asking patrons of that pool to park in the golf course parking lot.

Entry Sign & Tot Lots - Denis Ellis of CA explained to the Board that the village sign between Wilde Lake and Harper's Choice had been destroyed, and was going to be replaced. He introduced John Slater of Slater & Associates who presented some ideas for replacement. He said that the Board needed to think about colors and a design.

Mr. Ellis explained that CA has 171 tot lots and would like to eliminate approximately 20% over the next ten years. He suggested that this is a good time to start thinking about which ones are not used and would be good candidates for elimination.

Mr. Arthur Brody of Eight Bells Lane said that he opposed the removal of any tot lots. He felt that they were all useful. Mr. Brody said that he was willing to serve on a committee that would look at the tot lots.

Board Diversity – Mr. Rose explained that this item was on the Agenda because of an inquiry from a reporter at the Baltimore Sun. All Board members agreed that it was important to have a diverse Board because of the different points of view that it brings to the table. The Board felt that a better job had to be done reaching out to all segments of the community to encourage them to run for the Board.

They also felt that CA should do a better job in diversifying their contractors and vendors.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Architectural Committee – Architectural Committee members Roselle Commins, Danny Boyter and Erica Bahan were at the meeting. Mr. Rose explained that some new Board members questioned the process of appointing the AC members at the very first meeting in May. They also felt that it was important that all members of the community have the chance to serve on the committee. The AC was tasked with working on changes to their By-laws that would permit the Board to appoint them later in the year and would encourage more opportunity for participation. The Board thanked the Committee for their hard work and thoughtful deliberations.

### **SPECIAL EVENTS REPORT**

Ms. Tzucker reported that the Home Tour was very successful and that Community Safety Day was also a success. She spoke about the upcoming events.

Upcoming events include

- June 18 Hot dogs on the Square and Magic Show
- June 26 Nature walk
- July 13 First pool party
- Every Thursday in July is Family Game Night

### **VILLAGE MANAGER REPORT**

Ms. Tzucker said the new hand rail was completed and looked great. She also reported that Christian Science Church was leaving and that Chief McMahon was looking into speeding on Eliot's Oak Rd.

### **BOARD MEMBERS REPORT**

Ms. DeLacy gave kudos to Susie for a great Community Safety Day.

Mr. Smith said that the Master Planning committee had met and are working towards a vision of the plan. He was very impressed with the caliber of the members of the committee.

Mr. Rose said that he was participating in Kids Day at Hopewell Pool by running a 'Child Find' booth.

### **REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS**

The Action Item Tracking Log was reviewed and updated.

Signs on next agenda	Tzucker
Tot Lots on next agenda	Tzucker
AC on next agenda	Tzucker/Nix

Meeting adjourned 10:15 pm

